BookletChart

Raritan River - Raritan Bay to New Brunswick

(NOAA Chart 12332)



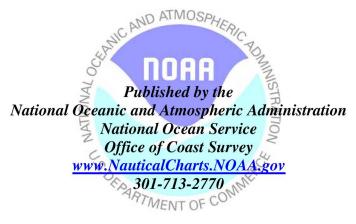
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What are Nautical Charts?

Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America's commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

What is a BookletChart $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov.

This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



[Coast Pilot 2, Chapter 11]

(271) **Raritan River** empties into the western end of Raritan Bay between Perth Amboy and South Amboy. The channel from South Amboy to **New Brunswick** is 11 miles long and very crooked, but is well marked with navigational aids. Waterborne commerce on the river is in coal, ore, and petroleum products.

(272) Vessels enter Raritan River from the east by way of Great Beds Reach and from the north by way of Arthur Kill via Raritan River

Cutoff Channel. A Federal project provides for a 20-foot channel in Raritan River Cutoff, a 25-foot channel from Great Beds Reach in Raritan Bay to the head of Red Root Reach about 1.9 miles above Garden State Parkway bridge, and thence a 15-foot channel to the junction with Washington Canal. Above Washington Canal, the controlling depth in Raritan River was about 9 feet at midchannel to New Brunswick in 1962.

(273) A dredged channel in Titanium Reach and South Channel branches south from Raritan River about 0.6 mile above Garden State Parkway bridge. The Federal project depths are 25 feet in Titanium Reach and 15 to 10 feet in South Channel to Crossman Dock. (See Notice to Mariners and latest editions of the charts for controlling depths.) In 1991, the channels were not being maintained near project depth and the project above Crossman Dock was not being maintained.

(274) A dredged channel in **Washington Canal** branches south from Raritan River about 4.3 miles above Garden State Parkway bridge and connects with **South River**. A dredged channel leads south for about 3.4 miles in South River. In 1961, the midchannel controlling depths were 12 feet in Washington Canal, thence 10 feet in South River to the first highway bridge, thence 8 feet for about 1 mile, thence ½ foot to a point 800 yards north of the highway bridge at **Old Bridge**.

(275) A sunken drydock, marked by a light, is on the east side of the river, 1.5 miles above the Garden State Parkway fixed bridge. The wreck extends 60 feet into the channel and is visible at all stages of the tide. (276) Several drawbridges and fixed bridges cross Raritan River and South River. The distances above the mouth of the Raritan River and clearances follow: ConRail bridge with center-pier swing span, 0.4 mile, 8 feet, overhead power cable at the bridge has a clearance of 140 feet; Victory Highway Bridge with center-pier swing span, 1.4 miles, 28 feet. The bridgetender monitors VHF-FM channels 16 and 13, call sign WXY-2676. In 2000, a bridge was under construction to replace the existing swing bridge with a fixed span and a design clearance of 106 feet. Mariners are advised to use the south span only; Thomas Edison Memorial Bridge with high-level fixed span, 1.9 miles, 135 feet. In 1999, a second span was under construction adjacent to and just west of the existing Thomas Edison Bridge. The new bridge will have a fixed span with a design clearance of 110 feet. Garden State Parkway with fixed span, 2 miles, 135 feet; overhead power cable near Crab Island, 5.2 miles, 128 feet; New Jersey Turnpike with fixed span, 8.7 miles, 45 feet; overhead power cables, 8.9 miles, 114 feet; and U.S. Highway No. 1 Bridge with two fixed spans, 9.6 miles, 90 feet. The highway bridge over South River at the town of South River has a fixed span with a clearance of 25 feet. The railroad bridge, 0.4 mile upstream, has a swing span with a clearance of 4 feet. In January 1987, the fender system of the south draw of the ConRail swing bridge sustained significant damage and may be protruding into the channel. Mariners are advised to exercise caution and navigate the north draw only. Mariners are requested to avoid bridge openings of this bridge during peak commuter hours of 0700 to 0815 and 1700 to 1815, Monday through Friday. The bridgetender monitors VHF-FM channel 13; call sign KT-4204.

(277) The mean range of tide is about 5 feet at South Amboy, 5.8 feet at New Brunswick, and 5.5 feet at the highway bridge on South River at the town of South River. (For predictions, consult the Tide Tables.) The tidal current has a velocity of about 1.5 knots at the Victory Highway Bridge at Perth Amboy.

(278) **South Amboy** is a city on the south side of the entrance to Raritan River. Waterborne commerce at the port is in fuel oils, coal, sand, and gravel. Depths alongside the wharves and piers range from about 6 to 30 feet. Water, provisions, and marine supplies can be obtained here, and berths with electricity, water, ice, and winter dry storage are available at a boat club.

(279) **Sayreville** is 6 miles above South Amboy on the south bank of the Raritan River. Most of the wharves are privately owned. (280) **South River** is a town on the west side of South River 7.5 miles above South Amboy. A marina about 200 yards north of the highway bridge at Old Bridge provides berths, water, marine supplies, a 2-ton lift, and engine repairs. In May 1981, a reported depth of about 1 foot could

be carried to the marina. (281) The **Delaware and Raritan Canal** closed to navigation since 1933, had its entrance to the Raritan River at New Brunswick.

HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water

Corrected through NM Jan. 14/06 Corrected through LNM Jan. 3/06

PLANE COORDINATE GRID (based on NAD 1927)

New Jersey State Grid is indicated by dotted ticks at 10,000 foot intervals.

CAUTION

Mariners are warned to stay clear of the protective riprap surrounding navigational light structures shown thus:



Fixed and floating obstructions, some submerged, may exist within the magenta tinted bridge construction area. Mariners are advised to proceed with caution.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 2 for important supplemental information.

HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which is North American Datum of 1985 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 0.3811 northward and 1.469" eastward to agree with this chart.

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

NOAA WAATHER RADIO BROADCASTS
The NOAA Waather Radio station listed below provides continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations

New York, NY KWO-35 162.55 MHz

Mercator Projection Scale 1:20,000 at Lat. 40°28'

North American Datum of 1983 (World Geodetic System 1984)

SOUNDINGS IN FEET AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.



CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners. During some winter months or when endan-gered by ice, certain aids to navigation are replaced by other types or removed. For details sea LLS Creet Guard limit lier. see U.S. Coast Guard Light List.

POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

NOTE A

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Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S.
Coast Pilot 2. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 1st Coast Guard District in Boston, MA or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in New York W. New York, NY.
Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

Table of Selected Chart Notes

Additional information can be obtained at nauticalcharts.noaa.gov.

NOTE C

VESSEL TRAFFIC SERVICE

The Vessel Traffic Service (VTS) is a mandatory waterways management system designed to provide participating vessels with timely information of other vessel movements and conditions

Commanding Officer Vessel Traffic Service Bldg. 108, Governors Island New York, NY 10004

AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, and U.S. Coast Guard.

SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, <u>United States Coast Pilot.</u>

ANCHORAGE AREAS

110.155 (see note A)

Limits and assigned numbers of anchorage areas are shown



ANCHORAGE FOR DEEP-DRAFT VESSELS





(46)(47) GENERAL ANCHORAGES

This chart has been corrected from the Notice to Mariners (NM) published weekly by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency and the Local Notice to Mariners (LNM) issued periodically by each U.S. Coast Guard district to the dates shown in the lower left hand corner.

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TIDAL INFORMATION

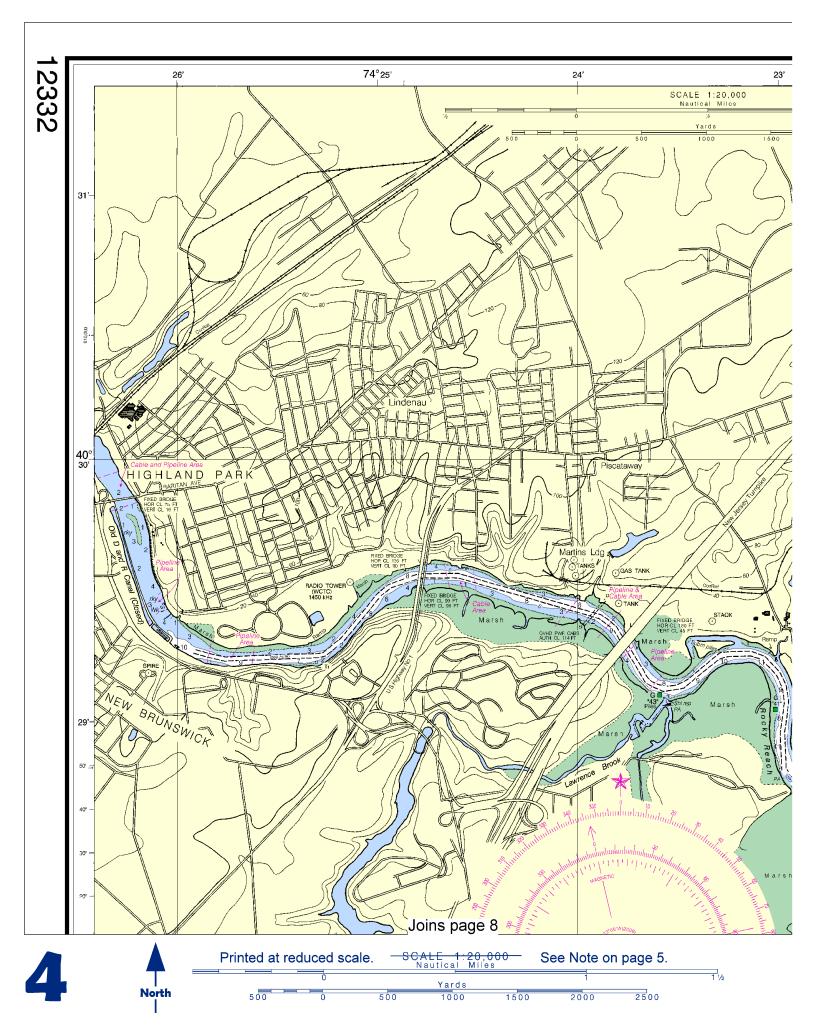
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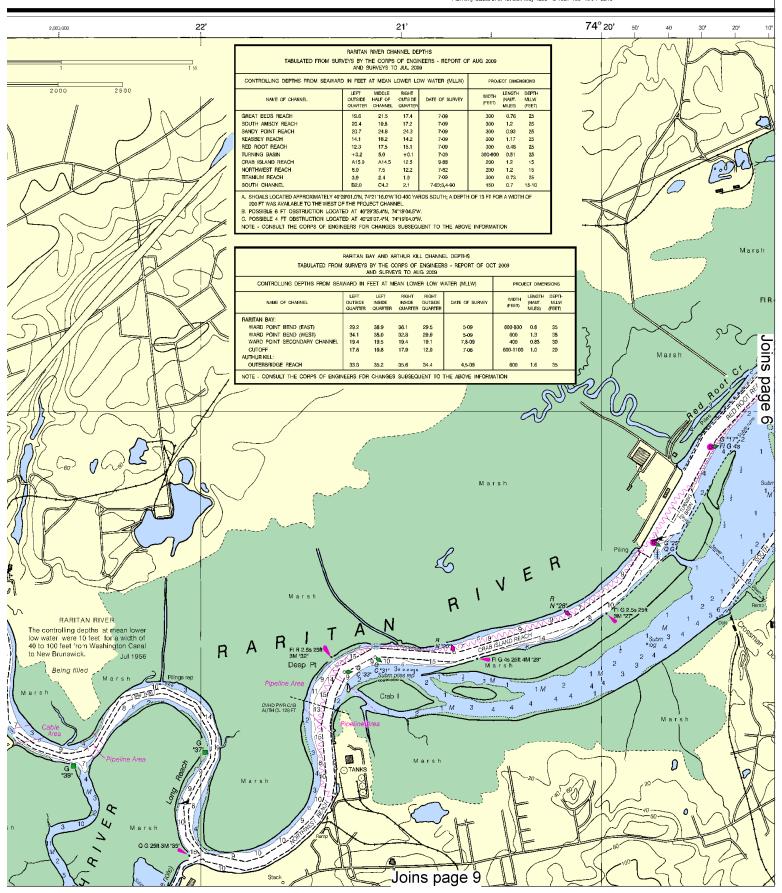
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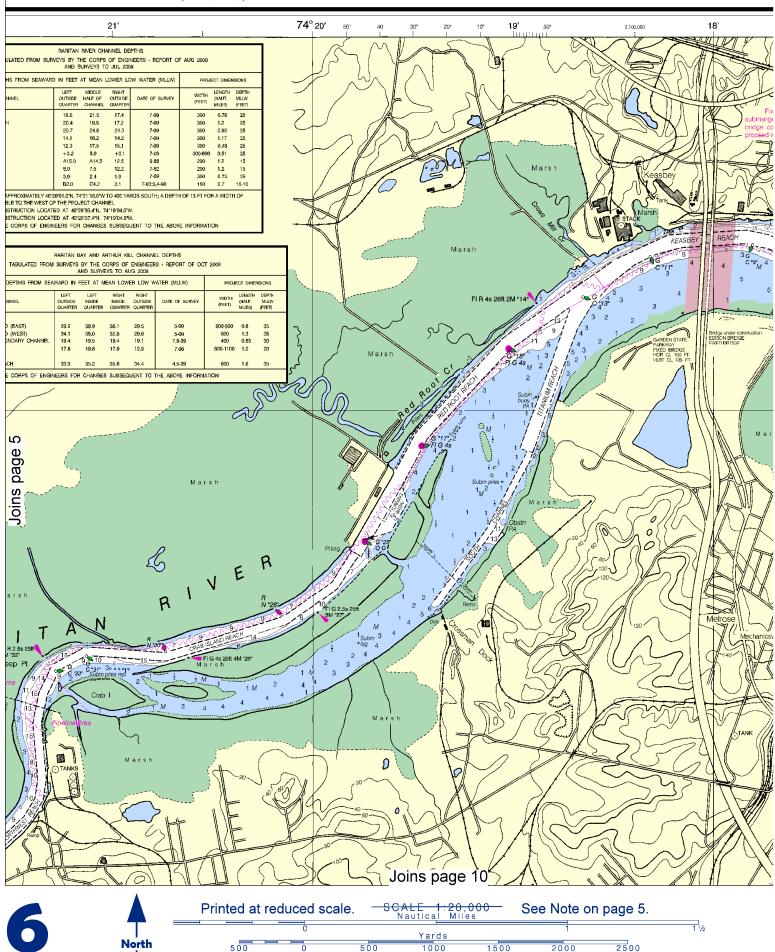
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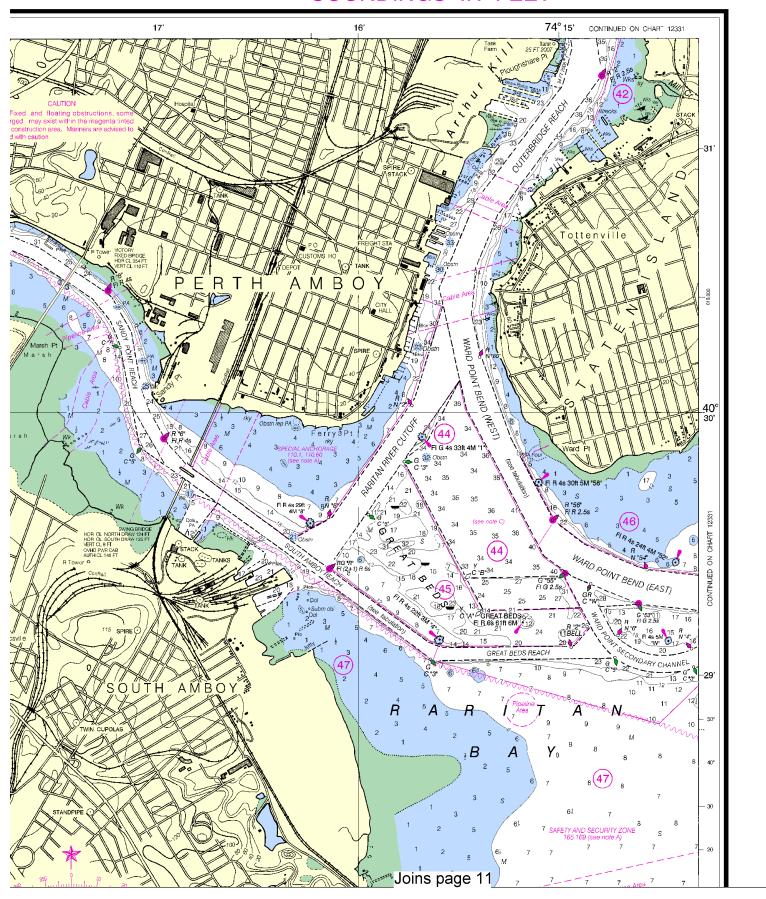


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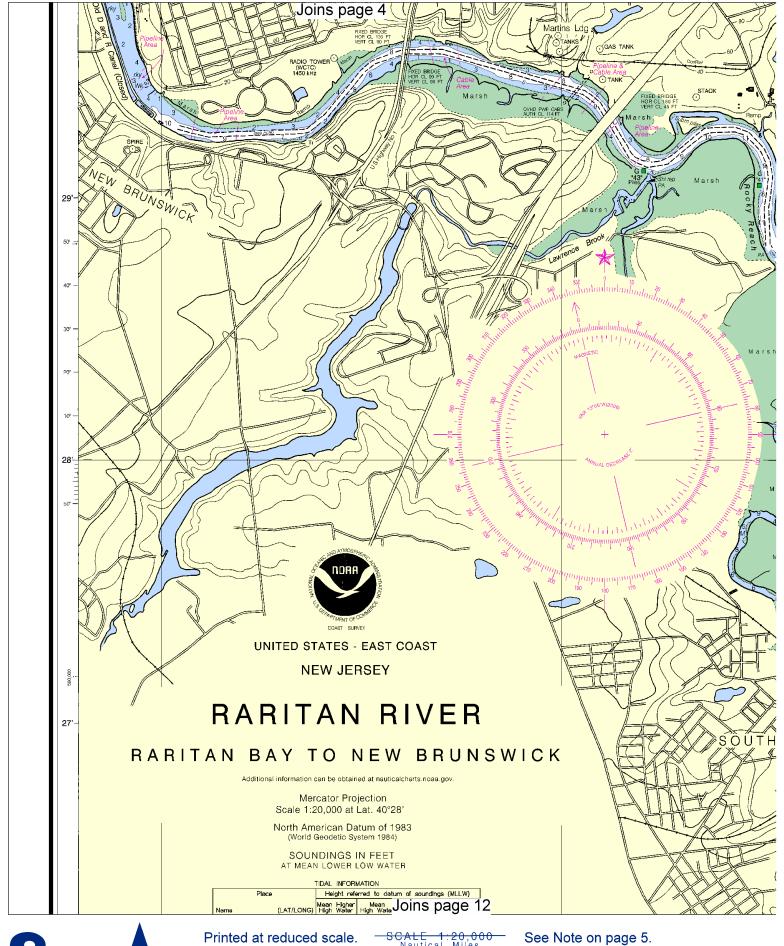
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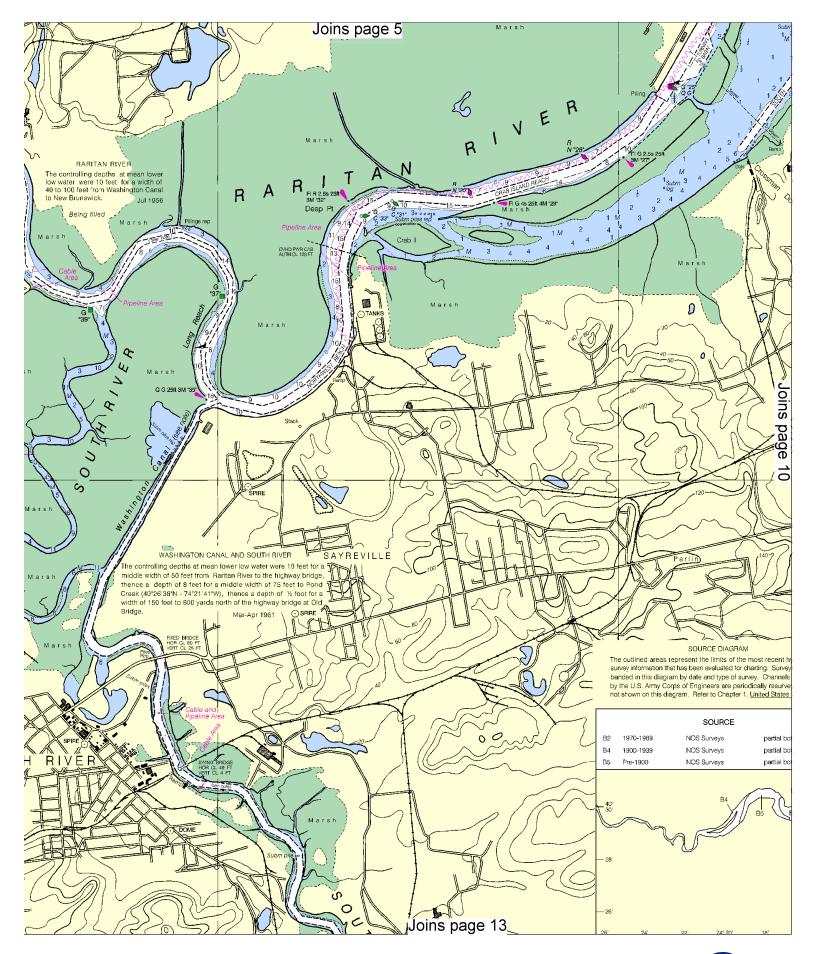
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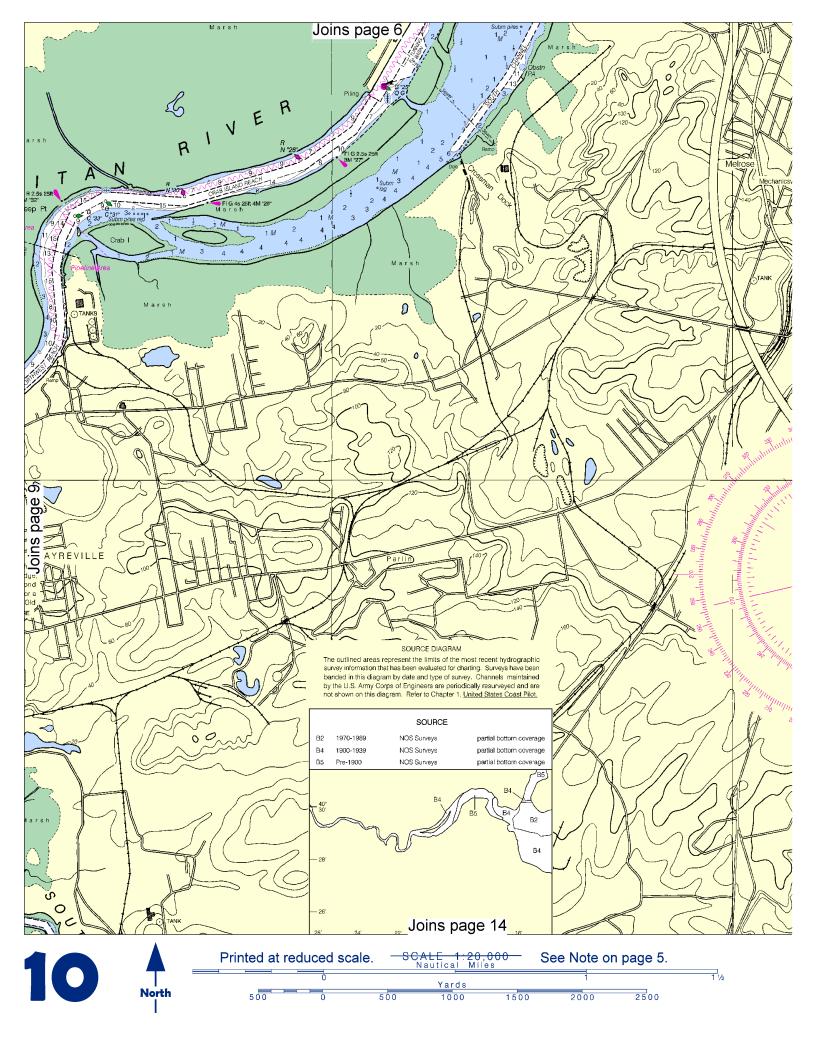


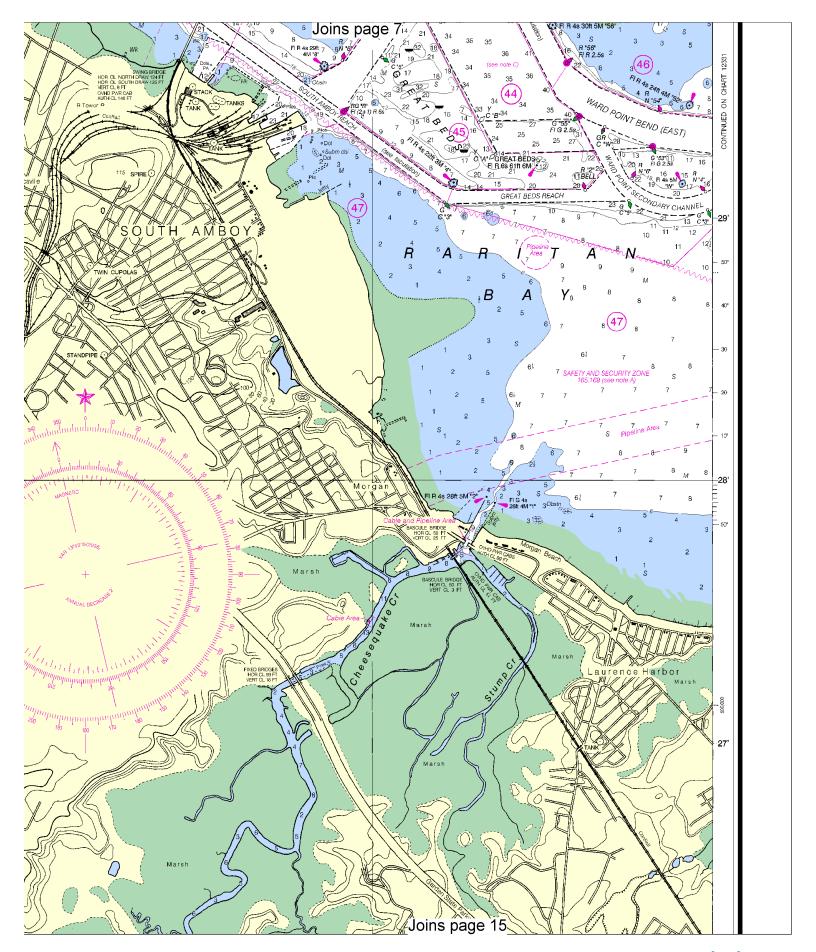


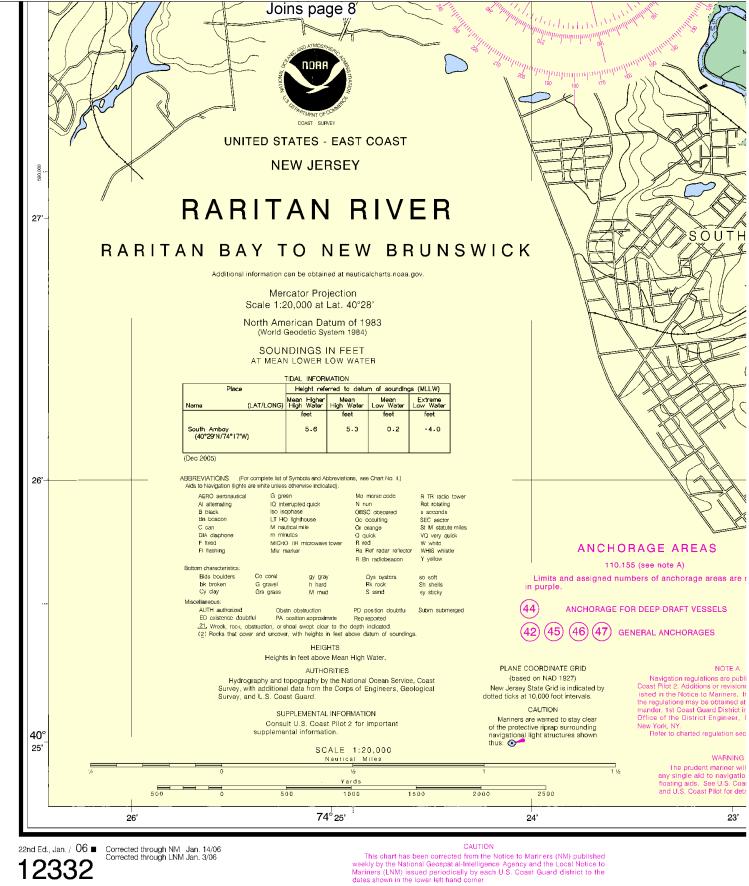


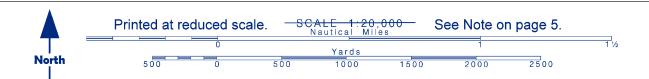


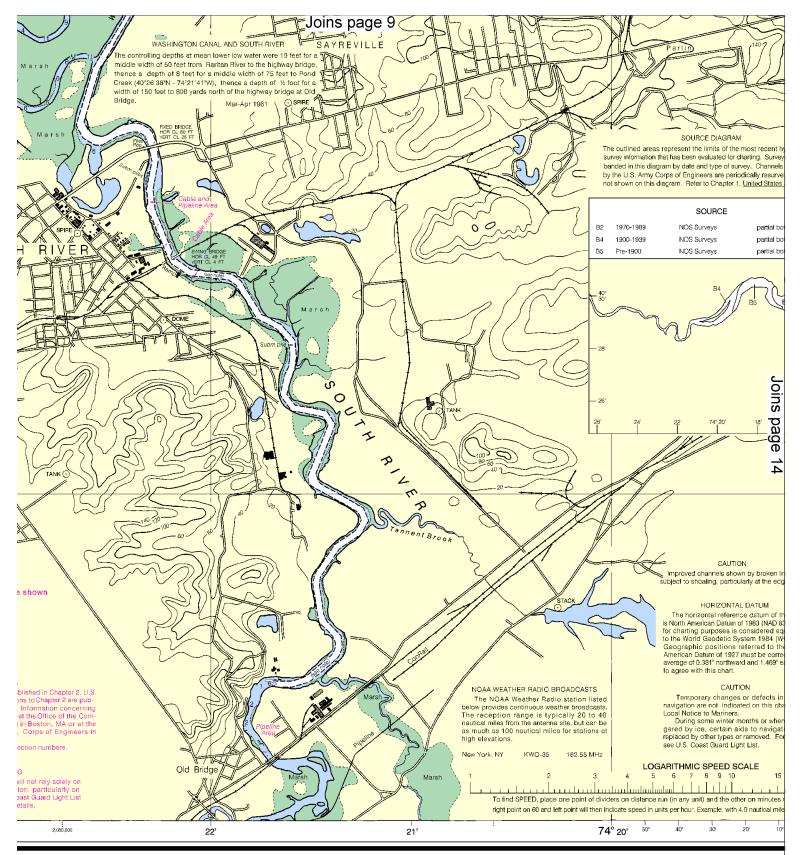






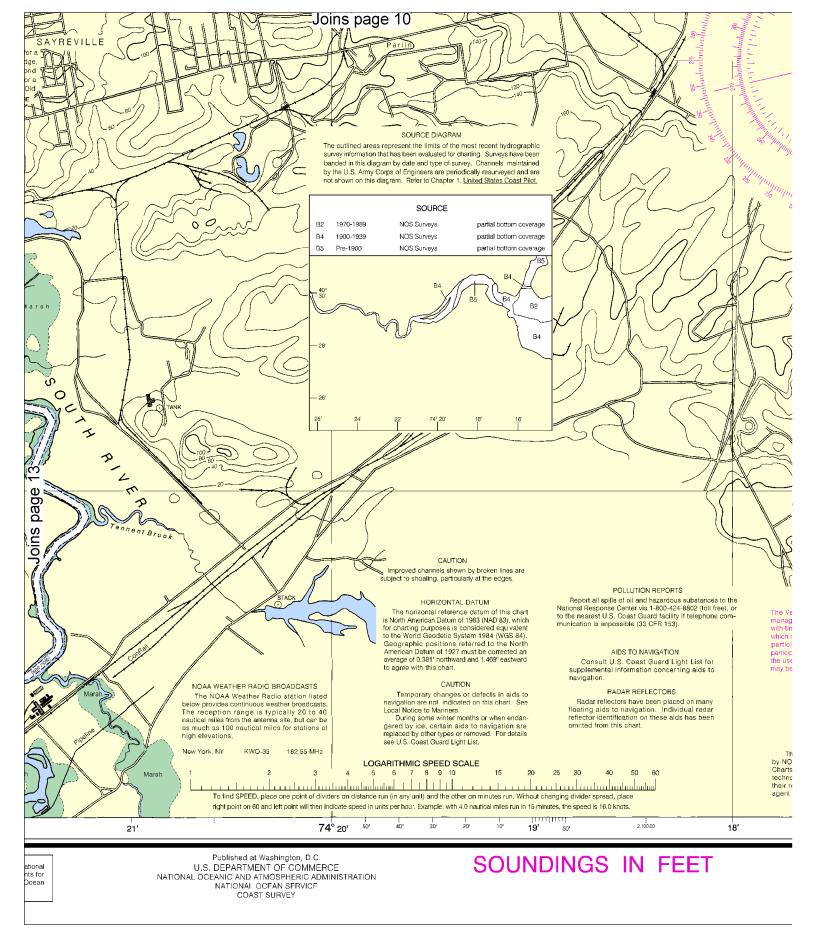




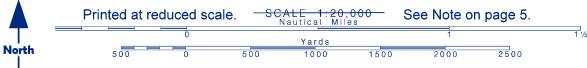


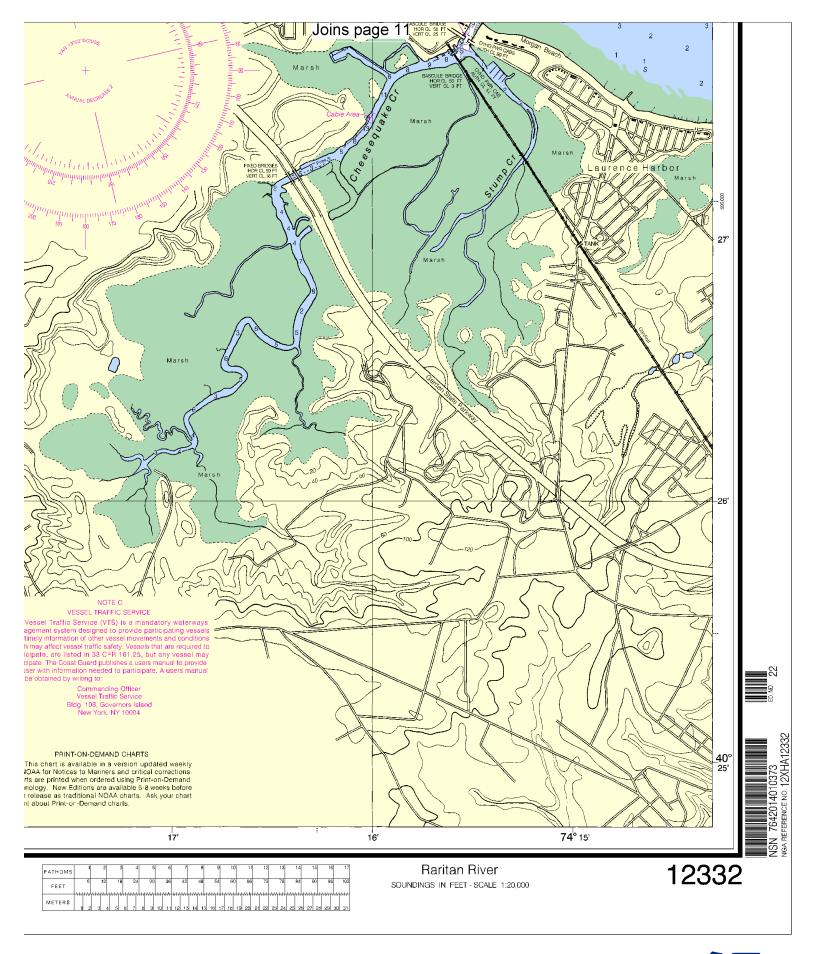
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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls

to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Distress Call Procedures

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

Mobile Phones – Call 911 for water rescue.

Coast Guard Group Activities New York – 718-354-4120

Coast Guard Sandy Hook - 732-872-3428 New Jersey State Police - 973-578-8173 Coast Guard Atlantic Area Cmd - 757-398-6390

<u>NOAA Weather Radio</u> – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

Getting and Giving Help – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.



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